



## California State Fire Marshal **CODE INTERPRETATION**

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Topic	Locking devices for exit doors in Large Family Daycare Homes		
Code Section(s)	CBC 310.15.1		
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**My inquiry is regarding the types of locking/latches approved for use on exit doors in large family day cares - R-3.**

**Does “special skill or knowledge” (CBC 2001 Section 1009 – Building Security, 1010 [*FOR SFM*], apply to standard locksets in a private residence as well as thumb latch deadbolts (single cylinder)?**

Yes. Exit doors, including manually operated horizontal sliding doors, shall be openable from the inside without use of a key or any special knowledge or effort.

**Do locking devices (door handles) need to be of the single action opening types as in R-2's?**

Yes.

**2001 CBC Section 310.15.1 states (in part) “ (d) Large family day care homes shall be considered as single family residences for the purposes of state standard building codes” .....does this factor restrict the application of requirements for locksets?**

No. 2001 CBC Section 1010 specifically addresses exit doors for Large Family Day-Care Homes.